

SENATE BILL 546

By McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
Chapter 23, relative to longevity pay.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-206, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (f) and by redesignating the existing subsection (f) accordingly:

(f) The longevity pay required in this section for state employees shall apply to present state employees for service performed that meets all of the following criteria:

(1) The service was performed while working for the health department of a home rule municipality;

(2) The service performed was substantially similar to service performed by employees of the state department of health;

(3) The service was performed for a municipality for which public health services were performed by the federal government before the municipality was incorporated;

(4) The service was performed for the municipality because the state, during a transition period, permitted the county in which the municipality was located to omit the municipality from the area where state-funded health services were provided, which in effect required the municipality to bear these costs; and

(5) The service was performed in years immediately prior to the employee becoming a state employee engaged in public health-related work.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.